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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1893.

MAYOR-ELECT JOHN P. HOPKINS, of Chicago, assumes the reins of municipal government Dec. 27.

The more time elapses since the Chicago election, the less ground the republicans have to stand on for their proposed contest.

MISS VENABLE of Georgia has refused to marry a foreign title. The owner of the title is almost insane. It is probably not so much grief as surprise that has overthrown his mind.

MAPS for the use of farmers, describing the chemical qualities of the land in various parts of the country and naming the best manures for each section, have been proposed in France.

ANOTHER person has been killed, this time in Worcester, Mass., by a pistol whose handle "didn't know it was loaded." All pistols are loaded. This is the only assumption upon which it is safe for a man to go.

AN URGON postmaster has been detected in paying his debts and is under arrest. The difficulty seems to be that he paid in postage stamps and charged the government a commission for disposing of them. Without seeking to prejudice his case it must be conceded that the affair does smack of hogwashiness.

AMATEUR skirt dancing has been ousted in Australia by the skipping parties, which are all the craze just now in fashionable circles. Mrs. Rupert Clarke is responsible for introducing this fascinating form of entertainment to Melbourne society. Tournaments are held on the asphalt tennis courts, and valuable prizes are offered by many hostesses for the lady who skips most gracefully and most successfully.

Nicaragua has enacted laws that bear very hard on the alien. The underlying idea seems to be to have the alien furnish the money for a government devoted mostly to his own oppression. When Nicaragua shall have acquired the largest standing army in the world, and the largest navy, it may be able to execute these laws. In the meantime, much satisfaction may be derived from contemplating the fact that such august enactments adorn and glorify the statute books.

St. Louis Republic.  
If the president's message on the Hawaiian situation contained nothing else it would be gratifying to his party from its trenchant dealing with officious ex-Minister Stevens. Mr. Cleveland has drawn the man's character in a few admirable pen strokes and puts the case with sarcastic clearness when he says that Stevens "evidently had an ardent desire that the revolutionary project should become a fact accomplished during his ministry, and was not inconveniently scrupulous as to the means employed to that end."

American may well thank their president for squeezing this Stevens out of office. Senators Hoar and Frye have backed Stevens. Mr. Cleveland has unceremoniously told what he is—a petty, meddlesome creature, totally unfit to be the custodian of a great nation's honor in a foreign land.  
The message further shows that the revolutionists, according to previous intention, put themselves in the hands of the United States, and have never yet tried to establish a government with the consent of the governed. The queen by compulsion also threw herself upon the judgment of the United States. The president has endeavored to right the wrong done by Stevens, but has been prevented by Liliuokalani's weakness, and the limitations upon his power. The queen is evidently both a weak and foolish person. The ring which has possession of the government is determined to press its advantages. There the case stands.  
Congress now takes the helm. If the republicans are for Stevens and annexation, let them say so. If they dare to defend the immorality of an unprovoked attack upon a friendly government, let us hear how they get at the law of their position.

## THE LAWYER OF TODAY.

He is Gradually Becoming More and More of a Specialist.

"There is so much learning here in the legal profession as ever, but it is not on exhibition," said a Philadelphia lawyer. "In the first place, the courts will not countenance its undue display. In old times an advocate was allowed great latitude. Formerly, in a case of damages caused by a neglected sidewalk, the attorney would be allowed to expound not only the laws relating to damages for neglect, but he might stray off into the realms of medical jurisprudence at great length, and even perorate with an allusion to the Magna Charta, the constitution and the American eagle. At present a lawyer must confine himself to the real merits of his case. The machinery of our courts has grown too costly to permit such waste of time. It follows that there is less oratorical skill displayed than in former days, especially at the period when some of our leading lawyers made a specialty of criminal defense. Now few lawyers of eminence, either in Philadelphia or the east generally, undertake the defense in a criminal case.

"Today the practice of law, like other professions, is becoming more and more specialized. A law office is simply a business office, as you may discover by visiting some of the handsome new office buildings down town. I know of one office where there are several partners, that would remind you of a banking office, and where a bookkeeper and cashier is employed to pay off clerks, typewriters and other employees. You will, however, still find veteran members of the bar pursuing old time methods in a cozy, quiet office, sitting at a baize covered table amid a wilderness of well thumbed books. They carry a dark green bag filled with briefs when they go to court, precisely as all lawyers did 50 years ago, and as London barristers still do.

"As to young lawyers, however talented they may be, if without social or political prestige, their struggle to advance in the profession is sure to be a hard one. Practice now is often inherited or transmitted in some other way. I could point out to you in Philadelphia law firms that have been confined to the members of one family or its collateral branches since the Revolution.

"I may say that there is an evident impetus to change many useless old legal methods. The remark of Lord Coleridge, when in this country, that there were many volumes of English legal decisions which it would do no harm to destroy, would answer as the main-spring of this impetus. Legislation is certainly advancing in this—that merely experimental general laws are passed with greater difficulty than formerly."

Another lawyer, older than the other, said: "Progress in the legal profession? Progress is hardly a term to apply to law, for it is founded on precedents, sometimes the older the better. For this reason jurisprudence is the least progressive of the sciences. Still there have been, no doubt, improvements in methods of practice, though I am not much of a code lawyer. I have had to study hard all my life. The younger lawyers appear to do little of that. They seem to believe, with Aaron Burr, that 'law is whatever is boldly advanced and plausibly maintained.'"—Philadelphia Record.

The fashionable impetus which it was expected the patronage of the Princess of Wales would give to the occupation of trained nursing in England has hardly been realized. It will undoubtedly receive a stimulus in the plan, of which word now comes from there, to have nursing lectures at fashionable houses to instruct the aristocratic pupils in the rudiments at least of caring for the sick. These "afternoons" are to be illustrated with genuine hospital implements, including a patient, and with tea and biscuits handed round, will take on as well an agreeable social tone.

A story heard recently accentuates the need of all this. It was related of an English peeress, who, wishing to master the duties of a trained nurse, procured admission to a hospital for such instruction. She proved an utterly hopeless pupil, and at length it was deemed advisable to ask her to resign. Her martial tread through the wards and general "heaviness" in all that she did actually made her presence a detriment, which would seem to indicate that even aristocratic nurses are born, not made.—New York Times.

Women on the Jury.  
A recent number of the New Zealand Mirror relates that at the petty sessions courts several persons were summoned to show why they should not have their certificates allowing them the control of domestic animals canceled. These cases, which have not been heard from for many years, have this year cropped up in considerable numbers, much to the regret of the better class of people. The possession of these certificates has very properly been refused to those who have shown the old aptness for cruelty, now supposed to have been eradicated by long culture of the young in better sentiments. The jury was impeded in the usual manner in such cases, half of men and half of women, all of whom were known to be clear of any charge of ill treating animals. It is an excellent idea.

## MRS. BENT'S TRAVELS.

The Accompanier Her Husband in His Explorations—An Abyssinian Adventure.

The woman traveler is becoming every year less of a novelty. Recently Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Bent, a pair of indefatigable English "globe trotters," started for south Arabia to continue the explorations they have been making in various countries. They began their work in 1884 by digging along the shores of Greece. The next year they went through the 22 Cyclades islands and carried a good many objects back to the British museum. During her first visit to Greece Mrs. Bent was unacquainted with the language, and the people pronounced her nice, very nice, but dumb. Three years later she revisited them, and much to their surprise, conversed fluently. In 1888 they visited Thasos, an Egyptian island, and the next year sailed along the coast of Lycia. In 1889, wishing to go still farther afield, they started for Bahrain, on the Persian gulf, thence going across Persia and over the Caucasus, attended by a special escort from the shah.

On all these expeditions Mrs. Bent "roughed it" like the rest. A tent was her only shelter, and she slept in a hammock. The security of water was the greatest privation, for in some places the supply had to be so carefully husbanded that baths were an impossible luxury, and even tea was sometimes impracticable.

The most dangerous expedition made by Mr. and Mrs. Bent was to Mashonaland. They started in January, 1891, reached the ruins of Zimbabwe in June and retraced their steps through a pathless country via Beira, reaching England in January, 1893. They immediately returned to Abyssinia, where the natives became so fond of them that they would not allow them to leave. This was an uncomfortable sort of popularity, and after the travelers had been twice defeated in attempts to get away the situation became decidedly unpleasant.

Hearing that troops were pouring in and that there was a prospect of serious fighting, Mr. Bent said that they must make a strong effort to escape. Mrs. Bent is an ardent photographer and was at the time engaged in developing some negatives she had made of the Abyssinian women around her. She finished her photographs first, and then, watching for a favorable opportunity, the little party mounted mules, and assisted by an Italian officer and 400 soldiers who had been sent to rescue them, managed to escape from their devoted Abyssinian friends.

Mrs. Bent brought away the negatives she had persisted in finishing, and these show the costume of an Abyssinian woman to consist of two garments—a pair of trousers fitting tightly around the ankles, and a long, loose overdress, lavishly worked round the neck and down the tapering sleeves, which are so tiny at the ends that one can hardly imagine how a woman's hand could get through the cuffs.—New York Sun.

## Achilles and the Tortoise.

There is one paradox which upon its face appears to be very easy of solution, but which, after careful study, does not pan out so well. The story was first told upon a gentleman named Achilles, who was rather prominent in early political times, and who had a reputation as an all round athlete. He could run, and run fast at that. One day he started to catch a tortoise, which was as slow in those days as he is today. Achilles was some distance behind the tortoise and set out to capture it. Achilles went twice as fast as the slow old tortoise and gained constantly, but he never caught it. No matter what progress Achilles made, the tortoise went ahead just half as far. By this time the distance between the two, had they lived to this day, would have been infinitesimal, but yet if Achilles and the tortoise ran with the proper mathematical precision there would still be an interval between the two.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

## Von Molthe's Predicament.

Von Molthe once went to Lindau, as he thought, incognito. He ordered a room on the ground floor in the Bayerische Hof and went to bed early, but forgot to draw his blinds down. When he was just going to sleep, he heard music drawing near. He had been recognized, after all, and was going to be serenaded again. The difficulty was how to get dressed without being seen. He dared not strike a light. But presently the glare of torches lit up his room, and the curious crowd stood close to the windows, their noses pressed against the panes. In spite of that, he felt that he must rise, so he got up and dressed. But as he put on each piece of his apparel the fest was greeted with loud and prolonged applause.—San Francisco Argonaut.

## Princess Marie of Greece.

Princess Marie of Greece is the princess whose name has been so frequently mentioned of late as a bride for the Russian czarowitz. She is 16 years of age, belongs to the same religion as the czarowitz and might make him a good wife were it not for the fact that she happens to be his first cousin, her father, King George, being brother of the czarina. And there is nothing which the canons of the Greek church more strictly prohibit than matrimonial unions between first cousins. The young princess is round faced and plump of figure, not particularly pretty, but having the vivacity and fresh coloring of early girlhood.—Exchange.

## Surprised Her Court.

At her birthday soiree recently the German empress displayed an accomplishment that no one knew she possessed. Among those honored by an invitation from her majesty were the piano teacher of the crown prince, Herr Esmer, and his wife. Frau Esmer is a Norwegian, and as soon as the empress discovered this she spoke Norwegian, to the great delight of Frau Esmer and to the surprise of her other guests.

## The Zilli Thatched Cottage in London.

Probably very few Londoners know of this interesting relic, which now unfortunately appears to be doomed to the almost inevitable destruction which is so rapidly overtaking what remains to us of old London. The cottage is situated at the side of Paddington green near the St. David's Welsh church and stands in a fair sized piece of ground. It is shortly to be pulled down, as a block of flats will be erected on the land in the immediate future. Lovers of the picturesque would do well to pay this charming little spot a visit before the cottage is gone for "all time."—St. James Budget.

## Abuse of Respectability.

Stuart—Why didn't you manifest a little patriotism by going to the polls and casting your vote?  
Farrabee—Well, I understand that the respectable element stays at home on election day, and I dislike to do anything which might reflect on my respectability.—Raymond's Monthly.

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